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New procedure for the acquisition of quota certificates (cupos)

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Report Highlights:

On January 27, 2004, the Secretariat of Economy (SE) published in Mexico's *Diario Oficial* (Federal Register) the new procedure to obtain import quota certificates; this procedure has been designed to complement and boost the current system.

Includes PSD Changes: No
Includes Trade Matrix: No
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Introduction: This report summarizes an official announcement published in Mexico's "*Diario Oficial*" (Federal Register) on January 27, 2004.

Disclaimer: This summary is based on a *cursory* review of the subject announcement and therefore should not, under any circumstances, be viewed as a definitive reading of the regulation in question, or of its implications for U.S. agricultural export trade interests. In the event of a discrepancy or discrepancies between this summary and the complete regulation or announcement as published in Spanish, the latter shall prevail.

FAS/Mexico's Executive Summary: On January 27, 2004, the Secretariat of Economy (SE) announced in Mexico's *Diario Oficial* (Federal Register) the new process to receive applications for the issuance of quota certificates (cupos) via the Internet. For this purpose SE implemented an informative module on its official Web site @ www.economia.gob.mx

To have access to the new service, interested parties must demonstrate that they have the following:

- A previously-acquired Procedure's Information System (CAESIT) access code and,
- A current quota allocation, either for import or export commodities.

Interested parties must pay the established fee for the expedition of quota certificates in advance. Once the certificates are granted, recipients must pick them up in the appropriate SE delegation, and deliver the bank receipt indicating that payment has been made.

FAS/Mexico Note: This announcement should not be view as a notification to invalidate other procedures conducted by SE for the acquirement of quota certificates. Rather, it is an announcement to notify interested parties about the implementation of a cutting-edge technology system to improve and complement current official procedures.

Important Dates

1. **Publication Date:** January 27, 2004
2. **Effective Date:** July 1, 2004

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